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SUBJECT: JAPANESE PLANS TO BUY AND LEASE AIRCRAFT

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1. APRIL 6 NIHON KEIZAI ARTICLE INDICATED THAT
MITI IS WELL ON THE WAY TO REALIZING ITS AIRCRAFT
PURCHASE/LEASE PLAN AND IS, THROUGH SEVERAL TRADING
COMPANIES, SOUNDING OUT VARIOUS SOUTHEAST ASIAN AND
OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES REGARDING THEIR INTEREST
IN SUCH A SCHEME.

2. STORY IS WAY AHEAD OF ACTUAL EVENTS. EMBASSY
HAS LEARNED FROM MOFA OFFICIAL THAT AIRCRAFT LEASING
SCHEME IS STILL FAR FROM A REALITY. MITI, AUTHOR
OF PLAN, FAVORS IT BUT THE FINANCE MINISTRY HAS
MANY RESERVATIONS AND THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY IS
OPPOSED. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION, MOT OFFICIAL
TOLD EMBOFF THAT JAPANESE AIR CARRIERS, PARTICULARLY
THOSE CARRYING TRAFFIC INTERNATIONALLY ARE NOT IN
FAVOR; WERE THE MOT TO AGREE TO SUCH A PURCHASE/
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LEASE ARRANGEMENT, IT WOULD BE ONLY WITH THE
STIPULATION THAT SUCH AIRCRAFT COULD NOT BE USED
ON ROUTES TO JAPAN BUT ONLY TO THIRD COUNTRIES.
3. EMBASSY HAS ALSO LEARNED THAT PLANNING PAPERS
FOR THE JAPANESE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK CONTAIN NO
PROVISION FOR FUNDING OF SUCH A PLAN. ACCORDING
TO SAME MOFA OFFICIAL, THAI AIRWAYS WOULD BE

INTERESTED IN LEASING SUCH AIRCRAFT IF THE TERMS
LOOKED GOOD.

4. COMMENT: MITI IDEA IS STILL ALIVE BUT FACES AN
UPHILL BUREAUCRATIC FIGHT IF IT IS TO BECOME
A REALITY.

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